

# DCFS Weekly Update From the State Office

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## New Codes

By Linda O'Brien

Several new purchase service/placement codes will appear in SAFE on November 20, 2000. Please note that some of these new codes are only used in certain regional offices, as indicated below.

### **SAR – Subsidized Adoption - Non-Recurring Costs**

### **SAC – Subsidized Adoption - Supplemental Costs**

The SAR code is to be used for non-recurring costs in initial adoption assistance agreements **ONLY**. For this code, the eligibility is always FT, and Kind is "N." SAR replaces the code SUB, Kind "N."

The SAC code is to be used for supplemental adoption assistance (sometimes called special needs). For this code, the eligibility is always FB, and Kind is "N." SAC replaces the code SAP, Kind "N." Although efforts are being made to reduce or eliminate use of this funding, this code is to be used for any new or renewed adoption assistance agreements that include this funding, as approved by the regional adoption committee. *(Note: For any adoption assistance agreements in which this funding continues, there is no need to change the coding until the time for normal renewal takes place.)*

These codes will only be allowed for AAM (Adoption Assistance Maintenance) cases. They should be paid on a One-Time Payment form (295S) and not be opened as a purchase service.

### **SHB – Shelter Group Home (Boys)**

### **SHG – Shelter Group Home (Girls)**

### **EFB – Emergency Foster Group Home (Boys)**

### **EFG – Emergency Foster Group Home (Girls)**

These codes are placement codes to be used **ONLY** for placements made in the Salt Lake County Boys and Girls Group Homes. The shelter codes will be used when a child first comes into care and is placed in these group homes. Emergency foster is used when we already have custody of a child who is then placed in the group homes upon removal from another provider.

### **CDR – DCFS Drug Court Services**

This code is **ONLY** for the Third District Dependency Drug Court grant that was awarded to the Salt Lake Valley Region. This code is only to be paid on a One-Time Payment form (295S) and not be opened as a purchase service. The 295S form will need to be approved by Anna Trupp (Dependency Drug Court Coordinator) before payment can be made.

# To Make Your Life Easier...Using SAFE Optimally

*By Robert Lewis*

Action items are designed to prompt workers on crucial time-related case policy requirements. When action item completions are a month behind, not only is agency funding and public support jeopardized, but, more significantly, something critical in the care or service for a child may have been overlooked.

People say that no one is perfect, but on October 10, 2000, 11 offices were perfect in having no action items overdue 30 days or more. And, 11 other offices, plus the entirety of Western Region, came close. The figures below were calculated based on the rate for action items overdue 30 days or more, per 100 open cases.

<b>Percent of Action Items Overdue 30 Days or More, Per 100 Open Cases</b>	<b>DCFS Region/Office</b>
<b>0%</b>	Beaver, Castle Dale, Cedar City, Delta, Heber, Kanab, Monticello, Nephi, Panguich, Park City, Price
<b>1% or less</b>	Brigham City, Logan, Manti, Payson, Tooele
<b>2% or less</b>	Richfield
<b>3% or less</b>	Bountiful, Fillmore, Murray, Provo, Roosevelt, Western Region

We have detailed figures on the entire state. Contact me if you would like to know where your office stands. Or, let me know if you would like us to attach the full state comparison in future write-ups.